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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: John P. Morseman, et al.)	
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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME, REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, AND AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

PETITION

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 3, 2006, Applicants filed a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time and Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 3, 2006, thereby extending the period for response to October 3, 2006. Applicants now respectfully petition the Commissioner of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for filing the Appeal Brief in the above-captioned application, thereby extending the period for filing the Appeal Brief to November 3, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$60.00 for the one-month extension of time to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 to cover the one-month extension of time small entity fee.

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RESPONSE

The following amendments and remarks are submitted pursuant to, and concurrently with, a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and are responsive to the final Office Action issued March 3, 2006 in the above-captioned application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 the amount of \$395.00 to cover the small entity fee for submission of the RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of these amendments. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") determine that any variance exists between the amount authorized above and the amount due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

Amendment to the claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.